

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace the previous version, and the listing of claims:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently amended) An original feeding apparatus for feeding an original, comprising:

a sheet feeding tray for stacking the original,

feeding means disposed adjacent to the sheet feeding tray for feeding the original stacked on the sheet feeding tray one at a time,

a transport roller disposed adjacent to the feeding means for receiving the original from the feeding means at a nipping position thereof and for transporting the original along an outer surface thereof,

drive means connected to the transport roller for rotating the transport roller,

a home position display member for indicating a position of the transport roller, said home position display member rotating in synchronous with rotation of the transport roller,

detection means for detecting the home position display member, said detection means judging if ~~that~~ a predetermined fixed position on the transport roller matches the nipping position, and

control means electrically connected to the drive means and the detection means, said control means ~~for~~ controlling the transport roller to be able to receive a leading end of the original transported from the feeding means at the fixed position where a transport operation by the transport roller is started.

2. (Currently amended) An original feeding apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said transport roller includes ~~a positioning the~~ home position display member, which is disposed at an inner side of

the transport roller for indicating a the position of the transport roller so that the detection means detects the positioning member to find a the position of the transport roller.

3. (Currently amended) An original feeding apparatus ~~according to claim 1, further comprising~~ for feeding an original, comprising:

a sheet feeding tray for stacking the original,  
feeding means disposed adjacent to the sheet feeding tray for feeding the original stacked on the sheet feeding tray one at a time,

a transport roller disposed adjacent to the feeding means for receiving the original from the feeding means at a nipping position thereof and for transporting the original along an outer surface thereof,

drive means connected to the transport roller for rotating the transport roller,

detection means for detecting that a predetermined fixed position on the transport roller matches the nipping position,

control means electrically connected to the drive means and the detection means for controlling the transport roller to be able to receive the original at the fixed position, and

selection means for selecting a high quality mode or a non-high quality mode so that the control means controls the transport roller to receive the original at the fixed position only in the high quality mode and to receive the original at any position around the roller in the non-high quality mode.

4. (Original) An original feeding apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said selection means selects the high quality mode when the original has a color image, and selects the non-high quality mode when the original has a black and white image.

5. (Original) An original feeding apparatus according to claim 3, wherein said drive means rotates the transport roller at a first speed in the non-high quality mode and rotates the transport roller at a second speed in the high quality mode, said first speed being greater than said second speed.

6. (Original) An original feeding apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said drive means rotates the transport roller at a reading speed when the original is read, and rotates the transport roller at a speed greater than the reading speed when the fixed position on the transport roller is sent to the nipping position.

7. (Currently amended) An original reading apparatus comprising ~~the~~  
an original feeding apparatus according to claim 1, for  
feeding an original, comprising: a sheet feeding tray for stacking  
the original, feeding means disposed adjacent to the sheet feeding  
tray for feeding the original stacked on the sheet feeding tray one  
at a time, a transport roller disposed adjacent to the feeding  
means for receiving the original from the feeding means at a  
nipping position thereof and for transporting the original along an  
outer surface thereof, drive means connected to the transport  
roller for rotating the transport roller, detection means for  
detecting that a predetermined fixed position on the transport  
roller matches the nipping position, and control means electrically  
connected to the drive means and the detection means for  
controlling the transport roller to be able to receive the original  
at the fixed position,

reading means for reading an image on the original transferred by the transfer roller, and

selection means for selecting a high quality mode or a non-high quality mode in reading the image on the original, said control means controlling the transport roller to receive the

original at the fixed position in the nipping position when the selection means selects the high quality mode.

8. (Original) An original reading apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said selection means is an image selection switch capable of being operated manually.

9. (Original) An original reading apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said transport roller includes a positioning member disposed at an inner side of the transport roller for indicating a position of the transport roller so that the detection means detects the positioning member to find a position of the transport roller.

10. (Original) An original reading apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said drive means rotates the transport roller at a first speed in the non-high quality mode and rotates the transport roller at a second speed in the high quality mode, said first speed being greater than said second speed.

11. (Original) An original reading apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said drive means rotates the transport roller at a reading speed when the original is read, and rotates the transport roller at a speed greater than the reading speed when the fixed position on the transport roller is sent to the nipping position.